Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 58.

Please amend Claims 59-62.

59. (Amended) A method for automatically processing a representation of a multimedia presentation having multiple information streams contained therein, the method comprising the steps of:

(a) selecting at least one contiguous portion of the multimedia presentation as a story segment;

(b) extracting named entities from a text information stream corresponding to the story segment;

(c) using extracted named entities as search criteria to select from among a plurality of story segments; and

(d) in response to a search query, presenting a list of named entities and their corresponding number of occurrences in story segments over a selected time period.

60. (Amended) A method as in Claim 59 additionally comprising the step of:

(e) in response to a search query, presenting a graph of named entities and their corresponding frequency of occurrences in story segments over a selected time period.

61. (Amended) A method as in Claim 60 additionally comprising the step of:

(f) in response to selection of a point on the graph of named entities, presenting the user with an overview story segments containing the selected named entity.

62. (Amended) A method as in Claim 59 additionally comprising the step of:

(g) in response to a search query for a story segments of a selected type, presenting a thumbnail view comprising key frames from multiple story segments of the selected type.